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To Mr. BAVIUS, *Secretary to the Society of* Grub-ſtreet.

SIR,

HAVING upon invitation the other evening ſupped at an old gentleman's in Weſtminſter; as ſoon as ſupper was over, and the bottle and glaſſes placed on the table, I obſerved the gentleman's countenance to clear up all of a ſudden, and diſplay a great deal of unuſual pleaſantry: which made me have immediate recourſe to all my reflection, to find out, if poſſible, the cauſe of ſuch an unexpected indication of good humour. I was wrapp'd up in deep meditation, for two or three minutes, when the old gentleman, with much gayety, clapped me on the ſhoulder, and in the following very friendly manner broke ſilence. —— 'Dear Sir, ſays he, there's a fire,— 'Did you ever ſee a finer in all your life? —— 'Never indeed, anſwered I: 'tis moſt charming coal as 'ever I ſaw. —— Coal, Sir! replied he angrily: 'Yes, the coal is well enough; but I am ſure, Sir, were 'the coal never ſo good, if it were not well put toge-'ther, you could never ſee ſuch a fire'. All this he ſpoke with a vehemence, varying the tone of his voice two or three times, and ſwelling both his cheeks with great indignation at my inſenſibility, in not running into an encomium on the exact and artificial formation of the fire.

Upon my finding out, how much the gentleman valued himſelf for making a fire cleverly, I was reſolved not to incur his diſpleaſure, for want of giving him all due praiſe for ſo excellent and illuſtrious a qualification: for I wiſely conſidered, a neglect of this nature might have loſt me many a good meal's-meat before the year went about. And I do therefore now, from my own experience, inform the world of this moſt uſeful and important piece of knowledge, *videlicet*, That every perſon, who would be well received in another man's houſe, muſt firſt be fully apprized of whatſoever the gentleman of the manſion ſeems moſt to eſteem himſelf upon, or is more than ordinarily captivated with. If he is a whore-maſter or adulterer, and ſeems to prize himſelf upon theſe lofty and nobly ſonorous appellations; then muſt you, with all poſſible deference, and becoming humility, expreſs your ſentiments of thoſe two moſt faſhionable and conſpicuous characters. Cry, that ſurely gallantry and intrigueing, vulgarly call'd fornication and adultery, cannot render a gentleman obnoxious to an eternal puniſhment. For certainly the divine providence, which intends all things with goodneſs, as well as juſtice, can never take delight in the miſeries of mankind. —And if ſo harſh a reſtraint was to be layed upon us, how deplorable would be the condition of mortals, how deſtitute of comfort and ſatisfaction! And yet allowing thoſe pleaſures to be ſinful, it muſt, at the ſame time, be granted, that men of the greateſt ſpirit, ſenſe, and parts, are moſt addicted to them: who would never purſue them ſo vigorouſly as they do, if they were not fully ſatisfied, that the conſequences of them cannot be ſo fatal as is pretended by thoſe, whoſe trade it is to preach againſt them. There muſt neceſſarily therefore be ſome miſtake in this matter: and a juſt and good being can never puniſh the temporary ſatisfaction of violent appetites, given us by himſelf, with everlaſting, or even with very laſting torments. —— Thus you gain his very ſoul; he is charmed with your company, and nervous manner of arguing; and you may eat and drink with him as long as he lives, if you can but thus continue to praiſe, flatter, and abuſe him.

Upon this conſideration, for the improvement of my carcaſs, I very prudently launched out into a profound admiration at the worthy gentleman's ingenious manner of compoſing a fire. I extolled the excellent architecture, the harmonious and beautiful diſpoſition of all the materials according to their different ſizes, from whence aroſe that juſt ſymmetry and proportion, which delighted the eye in particular, as the greater heat produced thereby warmed and enlivened the whole body in general. From thence I took an occaſion to expatiate on art in general, ſhewing, that nature without her is a meer fool, a very idiot. And hence I accounted, why all of that denomination are called *naturals*.—By this method I ſoon reinſtated myſelf into the gentleman's good opinion; and went home with an unlimited invitation to dinner as often as I think proper.

As ſoon as I had retired to my own lodgings, where in this cold ſeaſon of the year, I always find a good fire when I come home at night, it was almoſt impoſſible for me to avoid calling to mind the entertainment I had met with abroad. —— This naturally led me into an animadverſion on the different and oppoſite affections by which we find the greateſt part of the world to be guided. — Some mens appetites are directed by ambition, an unbridled luſt after power and domination. — Men, who, to attain their ends, would not even be aſhamed to avow the moſt iniquitous ſcheme, not excepting that of a General Exciſe. — Some pride themſelves in accumulating riches, which among poor people, goes under the denomination of avarice. —— Some look big with the pleaſing reflection of having made an alderman a cuckold, or an honeſt gentleman's daughter a whore; whilſt others triumph in the glorious imagination of being able to excel the reſt of their neighbours in making a coal fire.

There is ſcarce a man living but has ſome particular foible, ſome diſtinguiſhing inclination, differing from all the world beſide; and by which any of us may be as well known, as by the different ſhapes of our bodies, or varying features and complections of our faces. — This reflection led me into another of a more ſerious turn, which was, That there could not be a more ſubſtantial proof of the perverſeneſs and depravity of our natures, than to find the favourite appetite of moſt men, tho' really different, yet ſo far agreeing, as to have an actual endency in the main to ſomething either trifling or vicious. —— An ambition after honourable praiſe is a glorious principle; but alas! how few do we find, either in church or ſtate, in high or low life, who employ their talents about virtuous objects, or endeavour after glory and reputation by juſt and laudable meaſures! — The moral therefore of all I have been ſaying, is, that as every man alive has a deſire of being known to excell in ſome one thing or other, the only method of becoming juſtly amiable, is to direct our views to matters of intrinſic and durable value; and ſuch as are truly worthy of honeſt men and Chriſtians.

The Letter *concerning* Dr. TINDAL's Will *continued.*

IN that part of the Letter which was publiſhed laſt, in our 212th *Journal*, an account was given of what paſſed at the breaking open of the *Will*, and of the diſcovery of 1000 l. of the Doctor's effects to have been received by Mr. B. which he had endeavoured to conceal. After which the letter proceeds

As the preceding account of this tranſaction was taken from a pamphlet, ſuppoſed to be publiſhed by the rev. Mr. TINDAL, it will be juſt to add Mr. BUDGELL's own account of the circumſtances attending the breaking open of the *Will*.

† 'This gentleman [the rev. Mr. TINDAL] came to 'town the next evening [Aug. 17th] and (*a*) had his 'uncle's will delivered to him (*b*) *ſealed* with his ſeal, 'and endorſed with his *own* hand: he broke it open 'himſelf, and having peruſed it, (*c*) declared before ſe-'veral witneſſes, that he knew his uncle's *hand* ſo per-'fectly well (which to ſay the truth it is hardly *poſſible* 'to imitate) that he was thoroughly ſatisfied the will was 'genuine. (*d*) He then called for his uncle's *ſtrong-box*, 'took an account of the notes, bonds, and papers in it; 'and gave his uncle's *diamond-ring*, which he found a-'mongſt them, to Mr. BUDGELL; (*e*) to whom he ſaw the 'Doctor had bequeathed it by his will. (*f*) The next 'day he and his curate dined at Mr. BUDGELL's, with ano-'ther gentleman of Mr. BUDGELL's acquaintance. He 'was ſo full of his *compliments* and *profeſſions* to Mr. BUD-'GELL at this time, as looked almoſt like *flattery*; and af-'ter he was gone, Mr. BUDGELL's friend could not forbear 'congratulating him upon the *friendſhip* and good agree-'ment, which he obſerved there was between *him* and 'the Doctor's *nephew*.

Obſervations by Mr. BAVIUS.

(*a*) In this account it is obſervable, that Mr. B. does not mention one word, that Mr. TINDAL and Mr. MORANT came firſt to his houſe; and that they went all together from thence to Mrs. PRICE's, to open the *Will*. Mr. B. is charged with ſaying at his own houſe to Mr. T. (in order to comfort him againſt the diſcovery of the *handſome legacy* of 2100 l. immediately to be made) 'Your uncle was of opinion, there will be very quickly 'a change in the miniſtry, and from ſomething he ſaw 'in me, imagined, I ſhould be, as he was pleaſed to ex-'preſs it, a *great man*; and therefore has laid me under 'the ſtrongeſt obligations, when ſuch a change happens, 'to provide for you and your family'. As Mr. B. does not deny this, ſo he does not ſo much as own, that Mr. T. was at his houſe before he went to Mrs. PRICE's; but repreſents Mr. T. as going directly to the houſe where the *Will* was: 'This gentleman came to town 'the next evening, and had his uncle's *Will* delivered 'to him, &c.' Now if Mr. T. was really at Mr. B's houſe that evening, (which I think is not to be queſtioned;) it may juſtly be ſuſpected, that the diſcourſe above-mentioned really paſſed there, there being nothing in it which can ſeem improbable to thoſe, who have read the many fine things, which Mr. B. has either publiſhed, or permitted to be publiſhed, concerning himſelf, in the *Bees*. And 'till he ſhall directly deny, either that Mr. T. was at his houſe at the time ſpecified, or that he ever ſay'd any ſuch thing to him as here alledged, one may take it for granted that both are true.

(*b*) When Mrs. P. produced the Doctor's *Will* and ſtrong-box, 'ſhe bid Mr. T. obſerve *how carefully they were* '*ſealed with the Doctor's own ſeal*; which however Mr. 'T. little regarded, as knowing the ſeal to be in their 'hands'; which was delivered to him two days after by Mr. B. *A Copy of the Will*, &c. *pag.* 6, 7.

(*c*) It has been expreſly affirmed, That Mr. T. upon 'reading the *Will*, immediately began to ſuſpect it on 'many accounts'; which have been particularly mentioned, in that part of this *Letter* which appeared in our 206th *Journal*, together with Mr. B's anſwers to them. Mr. T. has named the rev. Mr. PHILIP MORANT, as accompanying him, firſt to Mr. B's houſe, and then to Mrs. P's; and who, I preſume, was both an eye and ear-witneſs of all that paſſed there at the breaking open of the *Will*; and is ready, I don't doubt, to give any perſon ſatisfaction, who has the curioſity to enquire concerning it. And 'till Mr. B. ſhall think proper to name 'the *ſeveral witneſſes*, before whom Mr. T. declared, 'that he was thoroughly ſatisfied that the *Will* was *ge-'nuine*', he has not the leaſt reaſon to expect that any one ſhould believe, that he really made any ſuch *declaration*.

(*d*) In the interim between the reading of the Will, and the opening of the ſtrong-box, we are told in the pamphlet aſcribed to Mr. T. that 'as Mr. T. was ex-'preſſing his ſurprize at the legacy left Mr. B. he to 'comfort him, told him, *He muſt not think he had all* '*that money to pay, for the Doctor had lent him upon* '*bond and judgment* 1000 l. and then both Mrs. P. and 'Mr. B. aſſured him, that *the Doctor died worth at leaſt* '4 or 5000 l.' *Pag.* 9.

(*e*) Mr. T. having to his *amazement* found in the ſtrong-box, 'only Mr. B's bond of 1000 l. with ſome 'other things to the value of about 60 l. asked Mrs. P. 'and Mr. B. *Whether they knew of any other papers or* '*writings concerning the Doctor's effects*; and they both ſolemnly declared, *they had never ſeen any*'. Pag. 10. Of this and the preceding allegation, I do not find, that Mr. B. has taken the leaſt notice at all.

(*f*) The pamphlet aſcribed to Mr. T. informs us (*pag.* 11, 12.) that on this very day 'Aug. 18. Mr. 'T. with the aſſiſtance of Mr. JOHN KNAPTON, diſco-'vered that Mr. SNOW had ſold 1000 l. South-Sea-ſtock 'of the Doctor's, *June the 2d*, 1732, and payed him 'in Bank-notes; which Bank-notes were found at the 'Bank indorſed *Budgell*, 3*d June*, B. B. having been 'exchanged that day by Mr. B. for promiſſory notes 'given by Sir FRANCIS CHILD and Co. payable to 'EUSTACE BUDGELL, *Eſq; or order*'. Now it ſeems what ſtrange, that *Mr.* T. and he ſhould be ſo ill with Mr. B. this very day; and ſtranger, that Mr. T. ſhould be *ſo full of his compliments* and *profeſſions* to Mr. B. when he either had then actually diſcovered, or at leaſt on a ſtrong ſuſpicion was endeavouring to diſcover *ſome foul play*, which he effectually accompliſhed a few hours afterwards. This anonymous gentleman of Mr. B's *acquaintance*, who dined with them, and afterwards *congratulated Mr.* B. *upon the friendſhip and good agreement between him and the Doctor's nephew*, is the propereſt perſon to confront Mr. T. on this occaſion.

Mr. B's behaviour upon Mr. T's acquainting him with the diſcovery he had made of this 1000 l. and his manner of juſtifying himſelf ſince, is particularly related in the next part of the *Letter*.

† *The* BEE *revived Numb.* XXXVII. *pag.* 152.

EPIGRAM from the Greek of ANACREON.

Feed farther off, theſe meads forſaking,
Nor here permit thy herds to ſtray;
Leſt you, at ruddy eve miſtaking,
Sould MYRON's heifer drive away.

Εἰς τὴν Μύρωνος βοῦν.

Βουκόλε, τὰν ἀγέλαν πέρρω νέμε, μὴ τὸ Μύρωνος
Βοίδιον, ὡς ἔμπνουν βουσὶ συνεξελάσῃς.

Herds-man, thy cattle farther feed, leſt thou
With them drive home, as living, MYRON's cow.

MÆVIUS,

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Daily Courant.*
P. *Daily Poſt-Boy.*
D P. *Daily Poſt.*
D J. *Daily Journal.*
DA. *Daily Advertiſer.*
S. *St. James's Evening Poſt.*
WE. *Whitehall Evening Poſt.*
LE. *London Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Feb.* 14. We hear the following perſons are propoſed for the biſhoprick of Glouceſter, as indifferent perſons in the preſent diſpute, (in caſe Dr. Rundale has it [the preſent diſpute] not) viz. Dr. Benſon, Dr. Sayer, and Dr. Butler. *L E.* —— *One would imagine, by this account, that theſe* three indifferent perſons *were* propoſed *to determine this* diſpute; *not, that after it was determined, one of them was to be made a* biſhop.

Yeſterday a court of common-council was held at Guildhall, when the ſeveral committees for the enſuing year were appointed. —— On tueſday the court of aldermen put off the election of an ordinary of Newgate till that day ſe'nnight. *C.* —— *After ſo many* put offs *it is hoped, they will chuſe a very extraordinary* Ordinary.

The ſame day Mr. Dance, an eminent maſon in Chiſwell-ſtreet, found he was ſo far from being approved for the place of clerk of the city works, that the king's *mandamus* was ordered down to the court of aldermen, to reſtore Mr. George Smith again to the place. *D P.* —— Mr. Conundrum *thinks this a ſort of* repri-mandamus.

Chriſtened laſt week males 187: females 175: in all 362. —— *Buried* males 268: females 262: in all 530. —— Decreaſed in the burials 15. *S J. L E.*

Married this day at S. George's Hanover-ſquare, the hon. John Spencer, Eſq; to the third daughter of the right hon. the lord Carteret. *L E.* —— A beautiful young lady, with a fortune of 30,000. *C. Feb.* 15. —— Laſt night at his lordſhip's houſe in Jermyn ſtreet. *DP. Feb.* 15. —— Germain-ſtreet. *D J. D A. Feb.* 15.

Died early yeſterday morning in Park-place, S. James's, Mrs. Savage, a widow gentlewoman of a very plentiful fortune. *P.* —— The ſame morning in S. James's-place the lady Sondes. *D P. D A.* —— The lady Sandy's, relict of the late lord Sandy's, and mother to the preſent earl of Rockingham; ſhe was one of the daughters of the late earl of Thanet. *D J.*

FRIDAY, *Feb.* 15. John Zollicoffre, Eſq; of Denmark-ſtreet, who has lived ſeveral years at Tetuan and other parts of Barbary, is appointed his majeſty's ambaſſador to the king of Morocco. *D A.* —— M. Duncan hath received a letter from the prince of Orange, importing, that his highneſs propoſes to be in London by next wedneſday ſe'nnight. *DP.*

Yeſterday the right hon. Ant. Aſhley Cooper, earl of Shaftsbury, kiſſed his majeſty's hand, on his being appointed lord lieutenant and cuſtos rotulorum of the county of Dorſet, in the room of his grace Charles duke of Bolton. *D P.*

Sir John Newton, Bart. has left by his will about 90,000 l. to his daughter, wife of Tho. Archer, Eſq; lately choſen knight of the ſhire for Berks. *P.*

Married laſt wedneſday at Groſvenor-ſquare chapel —— Marſhal of Groſvenor-ſtreet, Eſq; to miſs Jane Smith, daughter of Mr. Smith of Audley-ſtreet. *D A.*

Died laſt wedneſday in Jermyn-ſtreet, the right hon. the lady Conway, relict of the late lord Conway of Ireland, and ſiſter to the lady of the right hon. Sir Rob. Walpole. *P. D P. D J.* —— Laſt night in King-ſtreet, Golden-ſquare, John Meritt, Eſq; *C.*

SATURDAY, *Feb.* 16. We are credibly informed, that the laſt day of this month is fixed for celebrating the royal nuptials: the marriage is to be performed about 11 o' clock at night, and the publick rejoycings will be made the day following, which will be her majeſty's birth-day, when their highneſſes will receive the compliments of the nobility and gentry. *P.* —— *My brethrens* credible informations *have ſo often* miſinform'd *us concerning this* marriage, *that I cannot but think all their* informations *about it* incredible.

A domeſtic of Sir Rob. Walpole has obtained a reverſionary grant from the king, of the lodgings over the royal wine-cellar in S. James's-park, late in the poſſeſſion of a ſervant of the late Count Bothmar. *P.*

Henry Fane, Eſq; clerk of the eſtreats, cabinet clerk to the lords of the treaſury, is appointed comptroller of the pipe-office, a place worth 600 l. per ann. *P.*

Yeſterday morning a ferry-boat, in which were a loaded waggon and 5 horſes, croſſing the Thames from Lambeth to Weſtminſter, was drove down the river very near the Temple by the high wind; but ſeveral barges coming to their aſſiſtance, they received no damage. *P. D J.* —— The ſame day two boats were caſt away in Chelſea-reach, and four paſſengers drowned; and another oppoſite to Somerſet-houſe, and two perſons and the waterman drowned. *D J.*

On wedneſday a fine ſtatue in braſs of Tho. Guy, Eſq; who died about 9 years ſince, was erected in the ſquare of the hoſpital for incurables in Southwark, which Mr. Guy in his life-time founded, and at his death left ſufficient for the maintenance. *P.* —— *This* ſtatue *was caſt by* Mr. Scheemaker, *who diſtinguiſh'd his genius by the fine monument of* Dr. Chamberlen *in* Weſtminſter-abbey.

Died on ſaturday at Stanfield in Lincolnſhire, Sir John Tyrwhit, Bar. member for the city of Lincoln. *GE.*

MONDAY, *Feb.* 18. Yeſterday the rev. Dr. Jones preached before their majeſties, the prince of Wales, and the 3 eldeſt princeſſes. —— And the rev. Dr. Crow before the duke and the two youngeſt princeſſes. *P. D J.* —— We hear that the rev. Dr. Campbell is appointed one of his majeſty's chaplains in ordinary. *D J.*

The great ſtorm of wind that happened yeſterday morning, did much damage in ſeveral parts of the town; viz. ſeveral trees and a houſe were blown down in Moorfields, a ſtack of chimneys at his highneſs the duke's apartment in S. James's, but without any hurt to any perſon, likewiſe ſeveral trees in S. James's park, and a large tree belonging to the rookery in the temple, by which fall all the iron rails on one ſide of the fountain was [were] beat down, and the ſtone work torn up. *C.*

Married on ſaturday the eldeſt ſon of the right hon. the lord chancellor to miſs Cardonnel, daughter of Mr. Cardonnel, ſecretary to his grace the late victorious John duke of Marlborough, a beautiful young lady of good accompliſhments and ample fortune. *C.* —— 70,000 l. fortune. *D P.* —— He is not not married, *G E. Feb.* 19.

Died on friday in Cornhill, Claude Viet, watchmaker in ordinary to her majeſty. *D P.* —— Yeſterday in ſtrutton-ſtreet, Piccadilly, Tho. Longuett, Eſq; a gentleman of a very plentiful eſtate. *P.*

TUESDAY, *Feb.* 19. We hear his highneſs the prince of Orange will ſet out from Bath for London on this day ſe'nnight, and that the nuptials are now fixed for monday March 4th; [*D P.*] and that the thoughts of making any alterations in the gallery at S. James's is entirely laid aſide, on account of the ſhortneſs of the time *C.* —— *Some of my* brethren made *alterations there laſt week.*

All his majeſty's ſhips of war that are fitted out for Portſmouth and Plymouth, are ordered to rendezvous at Spithead till farther orders. —— And thoſe at Chatham and Sheerneſs are order'd to ſail for the Nore. *C. D P.* —— The encouragement given to ſeamen by his majeſty's late proclamation, has met with ſuch ſucceſs, that 'tis thought there will be no occaſion for any impreſs, except a greater number of ſhips ſhould be ordered for ſervice. *C.* —— Yeſterday they began to impreſs ſeamen at Plymouth. *D J. Feb.* 20.

Yeſterday Hen. Gaultier and Hen. Muilman, Eſqrs; diſqualified themſelves as directors of the South-ſea company. *P.*

In the high wind on ſunday laſt, a ſtable belonging to a farmer at Richmond was blown down, which killed 4 horſes, and wounded 2 others. *D J.*

Married yeſterday at S. James's church by the right rev. Dr. Hen. Egerton, lord biſhop of Hereford, the hon. Francis Godolphin of Scotland-yard, Eſq; to the 3d daughter of the counteſs of Portland, a beautiful lady of 50,000 l. fortune. *P.* —— Will. Godolphin, Eſq; to the lady Barbara Bentinck, &c. *D P.* —— At the chapel-royal at S. James's: youngeſt daughter, &c. *D J. D A.*

Died on ſunday at Chelſea, Capt. James Prime, aged 96; an old experienced officer. *P.*

WEDNESDAY, *Feb.* 20. Their graces the dukes of Newcaſtle and Ancaſter, and the other nobility and gentry, inhabitants in Lincoln's-inn-fields, intend to have the ſaid fields next ſummer made into a fine ſquare with a *reſervoir* in the middle, after the manner of S. James's ſquare. *P.*

Laſt monday the rev. Mr. Jackſon was inſtalled one of the prebendaries of S. Paul's cathedral. *P,* —— Yeſterday at the rehearſal, the ſtewards of the clergymens ſons collected in their baſons the ſum of 261 pounds, it being 20 l. more than they collected laſt year. *C. DP.* —— 261 l. 1 s. 3 d. being 20 l. more than ever was collected on that occaſion. *D J.*

Yeſterday at a court of Aldermen held at Guild-hall, the court was pleaſed to order, that the rev. Mr. Guthrie, who hath officiated for ſome time as ordinary of Newgate, ſhould be continued during pleaſure. *C. D P.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

VERSES *occaſioned by the* Letter concerning Dr. TINDAL's Will.

Hundreds of years, th' Old Teſtament and New,
By general conſent, have paſs'd for true;
In this learn'd age, a Doctor *god-like, great,*
By dint of Reaſon, prov'd 'em both a cheat:
A third he made; which, ſinking *Nature's* ſhare,
Gave more than he dy'd worth to *Reaſon's heir.*
Male-practice to prevent, of his laſt thought
A female ſcribe ingroſs'd the genuine draught.
But oh! 'gainſt Teſtaments ſuch reaſons ſhown,
Have taught the world to queſtion e'en his own.
Thoſe, ſeventeen centuries old, he ſcarce could raze:
His own unſhook remain'd not ſeventeen days.
Yet all perhaps are true: if none, the third
Of three forg'd Teſtaments ſeems moſt abſurd.

DACTYL.

Since our laſt, we have received letters from PHILALETHES, CANDIDUS, TOM TELL-TROTH, and MARTHA MEAN-WELL, one concerning Mr. POPE's *Homer*, another about *Charity*, and a copy of verſes from STREPHON.

Dublin, Feb. 6. On tueſday a fine gelding, belonging to the right hon. the lord viſcount *M*——y, ſeeing a perſon coming into his paddock, who had caſtrated him a few days before, ran to him, and with the utmoſt fury broke his arm to pieces with his teeth, threw him over, and even lay down on him to cruſh his life out; nor could he be parted from him, but with ſuch pains as made his keepers deſpair of taming him; ſo that he was ordered to be ſhot, which was done accordingly. *C. P. Feb.* 16. ——*Oldcaſtle, Feb.* 6. A gentlewoman met yeſterday, in her road hither, a wild-duck with a parcel of ducklings, which could not have been above five or ſix days out of the ſhells, very buſy and merry, in a plaſh of water; we counted it formerly no late ſpring that would produce a wild-duck's neſt with 12 eggs on the 17th of March, being *St.* Patrick's day; and yet I compute the aforeſaid duck compleated her iſſue of eggs about the end of *December*, which is more than I ever could find an account of by word or writing before, in any country in Europe, *C. Feb.* 19.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Feb.* 14. —— *Paris, Feb.* 12. Tis ſaid, that the earl of Waldegrave is upon his departure for London. *C.*—*This is contradicted.*

Leghorn, Jan. 30. We are aſſured, that the infante Don Carlos has deſired of their catholick majeſties to be marry'd to the princeſs of Beaujolois. *C. D P.* —— Siſter to the duke of Orleans, in her 19th year. *D A.*

SATURDAY, *Feb.* 16. —— *Dantzick, Feb.* 10. Five hundred men work night and day to fortify two paſſes which ſerve the town as a barrier. In the avenues are planted 100 pieces of iron cannon, lately arrived on board a foreign ſhip. *C. DP. D J. D A.*

Warſaw, Feb. 6. There has been a very ſharp action between the Ruſſians and Polanders near Wilda. The Polanders have taken M. Tyſenhauſen, ſtaroſt of Inſtrucki, hacked him in pieces, and hanged one of his domeſtics. *C. DP. D J.*

MONDAY, *Feb.* 18. —— *Vienna, Feb.* 10. General Wachtendonck, with 1000 grenadiers, ſupported by ſome cavalry out of Mantua, has burnt all the boats which the enemies had prepared at Oſtilia, to make themſelves maſters of the navigation and paſſages of the Po. *C. D P. D J. D A.*

TUESDAY, *Feb.* 19. —— *Hamburgh, Feb.* 12. 'Tis written from Hanover, that a courier was arrived there from the court of Great Britain, with orders to keep 8000 men in readineſs to march to the Rhine by the middle of next month. *C.*

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